IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, lines 1 to 15, replace the paragraphs with the following amended paragraphs.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to a device for cooling and calibrating plastic profiles, ~~comprising~~ which includes [-]a housing having an entry opening and an exit opening for the profile to be processed; ~~and~~ [-]a sleeve disposed within the housing[~~,~~]and which connects the entry opening and the exit opening and encloses a passage essentially corresponding to the outer contour of the profile and containing the profile to be guided, ~~said~~ the sleeve completely surrounding the profile inside the device; ~~and~~ [-] a vacuum system for generating a vacuum in the gap between profile and sleeve[~~,~~] and which is connected to small openings provided in the sleeve; and[-] at least one interior space, which is filled with a cooling medium during operation of the device and is provided with an inflow opening and an outflow opening for the cooling medium such that a flow of the cooling medium can be generated in the interior space.

THE PRIOR ART

Page 3, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following topic heading.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 6, line 23 to page 7, line 6, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph.

The present invention will be further described below by way of examples, with reference to the drawings~~, in which~~.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Fig. 1 is a general presentation of an extrusion line in an axonometric view;

Fig. 2 shows a cross-section of a typical plastics profile;

Fig. 3 is an axonometric view of a device according to the invention;

Fig. 4 shows a cross-section through a device according to the invention;

Fig. 5 is a side view of the device of Fig. 4;

Fig. 6 shows a section along line VI-VI in Fig. 4;

Fig. 7 shows a section along the line VII-VII in Fig. 5; and

Fig. 8 is a sectional view of a detail of a particular variant.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS